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Applicant

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT **DATED JANUARY 23, 2004**

Commissioner:

The above-identified application is a continuation of an application for reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,968,560. The parent application for reissue remains pending and bears application serial number 09/553,413.

First Notice

The Office issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment on December 11, 2003, citing the rules set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. The rules in Section 121, however, do not apply to reissue applications.

> "(h) Amendments in reissue applications. Any amendment to the description and claims in reissue applications must be made in accordance with § 1.173."

37 C.F.R. § 1.121(h). In response, the Applicant filed a "Re-Submission of the Applicant's Response and Amendment in a Reissue Application" on January 9, 2004, for reconsideration.

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Second Notice

The Office issued a second Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 23, 2004, again citing Section 121.

On January 28, 2004, the undersigned telephoned the Legal Instruments Examiner at (517) 272-1033 to discuss the fact that Section 121 does not apply to reissue applications. The undersigned was instructed by the Examiner to <u>disregard</u> the second Notice.

Accordingly, the Applicant submits this Response for the record and requests immediate entry and consideration of the Response and Amendment originally filed October 14, 2003.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant does not believe any fees for extensions of time or net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents previously submitted. In the event, however, that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow the consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned-for under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) and any fee required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 16-0605.

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